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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PINT, SHUM, DR
SUBJECT: PRD LEADER'S CONFRONTATION WITH DOMINICAN MILITARY

REF: STATE 31563

1. JOSE FRANCISCO PENA GOMEZ WAS ARRESTED THIS AFTERNOON AND FREED ON 50,000-PESO BOND. AN IMPEDIMENT HAS BEEN PLACED AGAINST HIS LEAVING THE COUNTRY. PENA IS ACCUSED OF DEFAMATION OF THE ARMED FORCES AND OF VIOLATION OF THE LAW OF PUBLIC EXPRESSION. THE ARREST ORDER RESULTED FROM: (A) PENA'S DECLARATION TO THE PRESS ON FEB. 5 THAT THE BODY OF A MURDERED MILITARY MAN FOUND ON THE CAMPUS OF SANTO DOMINGO UNIVERSITY ON JAN. 30 HAD BEEN DUMPED THERE FROM A MILITARY JEEP; AND (B) A REPORTEDLY HEATED CONFRONTATION ON FEB.7 BETWEEN PENA AND THE TOP DOMINICAN MILITARY OFFICIALS, INCLUDING CHIEF OF POLICE NIVAR, SECSTATE OF ARMED FORCES BEAUCHAMP AND THE THREE SERVICE CHIEFS, STEMMING FROM PENA'S PUBLIC ACCUSATION.

2. COMMENT: PENA'S FEB. 5 DECLARATION TO THE PRESS CAME AS A SURPRISE TO EVERYBODY, INCLUDING MEMBERS OF THE POLITICAL COMMITTEE OF THE PRED WHO ARE DEEPLY ANGERED BY PENA'S PRESS STATEMENT. IT APPEARS THAT THE SOURCES OF PENA'S INFORMATION ABOUT THE MILITARY JEEP ON THE UNIVERSITY CAMPUS WERE NOT VERY SOLID. PENA'S CHARGE IMPLYING OFFICIAL MILITARY

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INVOLVEMENT IN A MURDER AND IN THE DUMPING OF A BODY ON THE UNIVERSITY CAMPUS COMES AT A TIME WHEN EMOTIONS HAVE BEEN HEIGHTENED BY UNIVERSITY INCIDENTS (SD 664). EMBASSY WILL FOLLOW DEVELOPMENTS CLOSELY.
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